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EACH LOVENOX SYRINGE = ONE UNIT

LAST (OR LATEST, WHICH EVER COMES FIRST) WORD ON LOVENOX®!! PLEASE BILL LOVENOX SYRINGES AS UNITS OF ONE. HCFA (the feds) HAS DIRECTED MEDICAID TO DISREGARD NCPDP STANDARDS FOR THIS ONE PRODUCT AND BILL EACH SYRINGE AS A UNIT OF ONE, NOT BY MILLILITERS.

THE DUR BOARD HAS DIRECTED THAT THE DIVISION FOLLOW HCFA'S DIRECTIVE.

IF YOU RECEIVED A PRESCRIPTION OF "LOVENOX 40MG
SIG: BID X 3D" - THEN BILL MEDICAID FOR 6 UNITS (SIX SYRINGES) OF
40MG/0.4ML SYRINGES.
FIVE SYRINGES OF 60MG/0.6ML WOULD BE REPORTED AS 5 UNITS FOR BILLING
PURPOSES, etc.
STAY TUNED FOR THE NEXT CONTRADICTION.

UTAH MAC - The Medicaid Pharmacy Program will continue to maintain and add to the Utah MAC (maximum allowable cost) on select drugs. For instance, prenatal vitamins currently has a Utah MAC. New drug candidates will be based in part on those drugs coming off the federal MAC list as published in the Amber Sheet. The Amber Sheet notice will include the manufacturer(s) cited if there are less than three manufacturers supplying generic equivalents. Effective April 1, 2000, the following drugs will be added to the UTAH MAC list:

| DRUG | Utah MAC PRICE | SOURCE | EFFECTIVE DATE |
|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| prenatal vitamins | 0.15 | multiple | |
| carisoprodol 350mg | 0.1200 | Goldline | 4/01/00 |
| | | West-Ward, Inc | |
| hctz 25mg | 0.0191 | Roxane | 4/01/00 |
| | | ESI Lederlie | |
| hctz 50mg | 0.02200 | URL | 4/01/00 |
| | | Geneva | |
| hydcodone/apap 5/500 | 0.1700 | Warner-Chilcot | 4/01/00 |
| | | Zenith/Goldline | |
| ibuprofen 400mg | 0.1000 | URL | 4/01/00 |
| | | Mylan | |
| ibuprofen 600mg | 0.1500 | Warner/Chilcott | |
| | | URL | 4/01/00 |
| ibuprofen 800mg | 0.2200 | URL | |

If the listed brands or alternate brands are in stock in one of the Salt Lake City based wholesalers, the UTAH MAC

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price will hold. Drug Program Managers will check prices when notified from pharmacies that the SLC wholesalers do not carry the item at or below the Utah MAC price. Prices can be adjusted in one day or less after determining that the item is not available through SLC wholesalers. Your input is important. Please keep the Drug Program Managers posted on changes in the market place.

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FRAUDULENT NARCOTIC SCRIPTS ALERT -

One dental clinic reported three arrests on individuals calling in prescriptions for narcotics to pharmacies using various dentists in the clinic as the prescriber. This was over a ten day period. The tip off was the high number of doses "prescribed".

FUL (MAC) LISTING IS SUSPENDED

ON: (effective January 16, 2000)

APAP/hydrocodone 500/5mg, tab,
oral, 100

cephradine, 250mg, cap, oral, 100

cypheptadine HCl, 4mg, tab, oral,
100

Disophyramide PO4, eq.100mg base,
cap, oral, 100

Disophyramide PO4, eq.150mg base,

cap, oral, 100

HTZ, 25mg, tab, oral, 100

HTZ, 50mg, tab, oral, 100

tolmetin Na, eq.400mg base, cap,
oral, 100

tolmetin Na, eq.600mg base, tab,
oral, 100